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Union vote set for large Kansas beef plant next month

On January 21-22, 2010, the National Labor Relations Board will conduct an election at the National Beef Processing Company in Dodge City, KS, to determine whether about 2,700 plant workers wish to be represented by the United Food and Commercial Workers International Union. This is a large election by NLRB standards (the median number of eligible voters in a representation election is 27) and the workforce is highly diverse. Election notices are being posted in English, Spanish, Vietnamese, Laotian and Quiche (from Guatemala).

The UFCW filed an election petition with the NLRB regional office in Kansas City seeking to represent the production, maintenance, shipping and receiving, plant clerical, grounds keeping and warehouse employees. Ballots will be counted immediately after the conclusion of the election late Friday, January 22, and a tally shall issue to the parties detailing the results. For confirmation of results on Saturday, please contact NLRB Public Affairs Director Nancy Cleeland at nancy.cleeland@nrlrb.gov or 202-427-2882.

The National Labor Relations Board is an independent federal agency vested with the power to safeguard employees' rights to organize and to determine whether to have unions as their bargaining representative. The agency also acts to prevent and remedy unfair labor practices committed by private sector employers and unions.

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